

CITY OF SANTA BARBARA HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION

RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THAT CITY COUNCIL
DESIGNATE AS A CITY LANDMARK

CASA DE CUATRO VISTAS

1201 LAS ALTURAS ROAD

SANTA BARBARA, CALIFORNIA

APN 019-113-024

RESOLUTION 2022-01

MARCH 16, 2022

WHEREAS, Section 30.157 of the Municipal Code of the City of Santa Barbara grants the Historic Landmarks Commission the authority to initiate a designation process to recommend to the City Council the designation as a City Landmark of any structure, natural feature, site, or area having historic, architectural, archaeological, cultural, or aesthetic significance;

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2022, the Historic Landmarks Commission's Designations Subcommittee recommends that the nomination be considered by the full Historic Landmarks Commission at a public hearing with comments;

WHEREAS, the Designation Report found the property meets two of the City Landmark criteria listed in section 30.157.025 of the Municipal Code and concluded that *Casa De Cuatro Vistas*, that was designed by noted architect Carleton Monroe Winslow, Sr. FAIA in 1919 in the Spanish Colonial Revival style, is significant for its architectural significance and associations with important people in the development of Santa Barbara. Elements that contribute to this landmark status include the mid-century studio building designed by Edwards and Pitman in 1959, significant trees, the Japanese Pagoda in the south side garden, the two pairs of sandstone driveway pillars, sandstone driveway walls and railings and sandstone-parking on the north side by Las Alturas Road, sandstone perimeter walls, tables, bench steps and other sandstone features.

WHEREAS, the property has retained a high level of historical integrity as its location, design, materials, setting, feeling, association, and workmanship conveys its original appearance;

WHEREAS, the proposed boundary of the City Landmark designation includes the entire parcel to allow for adequate review of any changes for compatibility;

WHEREAS, under the provisions of Article 19, Section 15308 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and the City List of Activities Determined to Qualify for a Categorical Exemption (City Council Resolution Dated November 10, 1998), staff has determined that designation of *Casa De Cuatro Vistas* as a Landmark is eligible for a Categorical Exemption;

WHEREAS, Section 30.157.030 of the Municipal Code of the City of Santa Barbara states that the City Council may designate as a Landmark any structure, natural feature, site, or area having historic, architectural, archaeological, cultural, or aesthetic significance by adopting a resolution of designation following receipt of a recommendation from the Historic Landmarks Commission; and

WHEREAS, in summary, the Historic Landmarks Commission finds that *Casa De Cuatro Vistas* at 1201 Las Alturas Road, Assessor's Parcel No. 019-113-024, meets the following two criteria listed in section 30.157.025 of the Municipal Code:

Criterion #2: associations of the property with the lives of persons significant in Santa Barbara history.

Criterion #3: the property embodies distinctive characteristics of a type, period, architectural style, or method of construction; it represents the work of a master, or it possesses high artistic value or a distinguishable collection whose individualized components lack distinction.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that on March 16, 2022, the Historic Landmarks Commission of the City of Santa Barbara hereby recommends to the City Council that it designate *Casa De Cuatro Vistas* at 1201 Las Alturas Road, Assessor's Parcel No. 019-113-024, as a City Landmark and make findings based on the historic and cultural significance of facts presented in the Designation Report.

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Adopted: